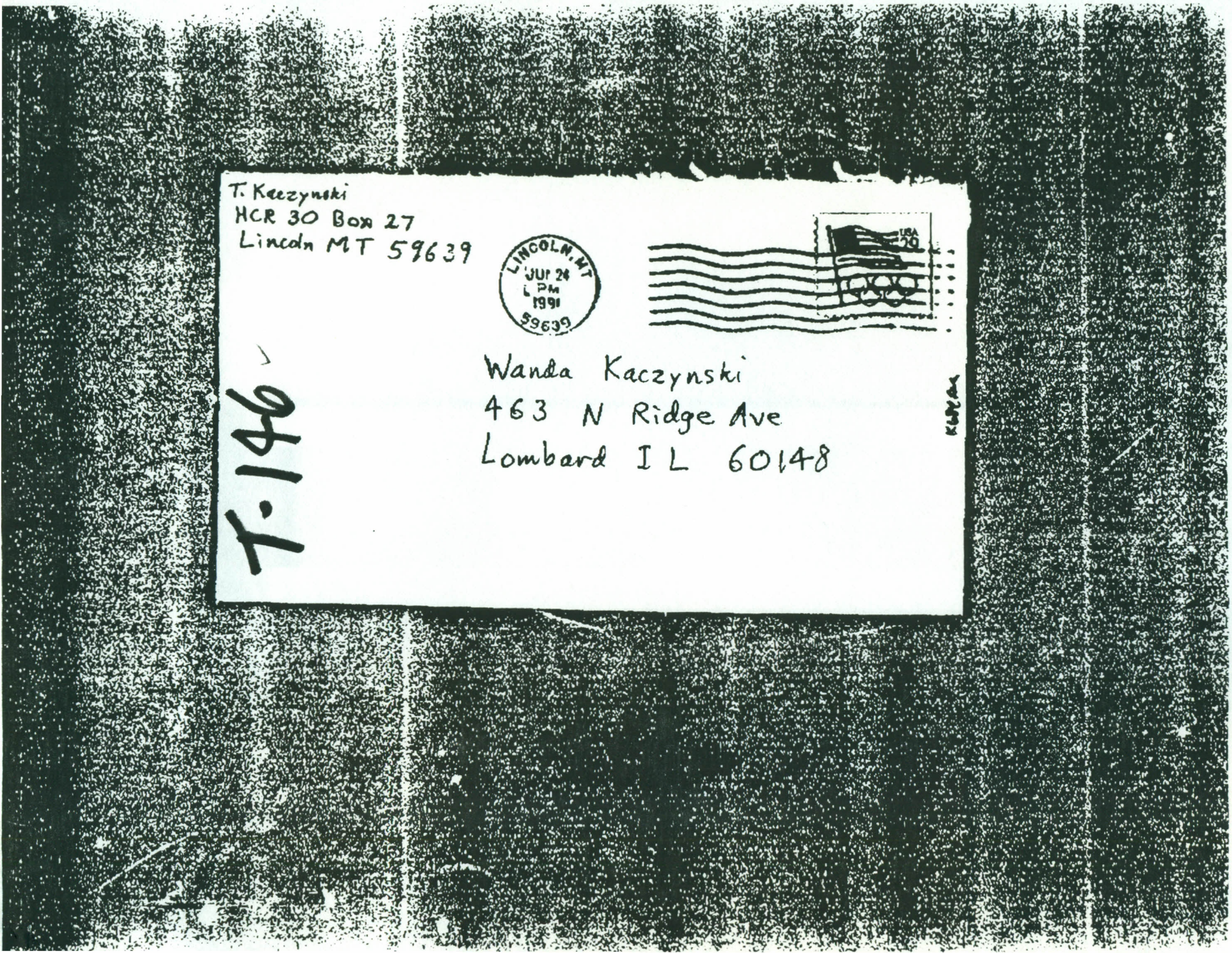

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Dear Ma —

You'll recall that there was some question about whether I should have some further tests in connection with my heart irregularities. Mainly to be considered was a "holter" test — a "holter" being a kind of portable electro-cardiograph that records your heart rhythms as you go about your daily business. This costs, I believe, on the order of $200 per 24 hours. Well, I did write Dr. Goren a letter asking her how important or unimportant she thought it was for me to be tested with the holter. I enclosed a stamped, self-addressed envelop with a piece of paper in it to make it easier for her to answer. Nevertheless, after 3 weeks I still had not received an answer, so I phoned her office. Her office people got in touch with her at the nearby hospital where she was at the time, & then they called me back & gave me her answer. I had mention in my letter that I hadn't been under much stress lately. Her answer was that since I wasn't currently under much stress, this was not a good time to do a holter test, because I might not have enough irregular rhythms to be recorded during the 24 hours of the test. But she felt that if and when I again began having a lot of irregular heartbeats, then I should have the holter test.

How did Tyler's leg turn out? Do you know yet?

— Ted